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Fiscal Note

HF 2574 - Revenue Department's Technical Corrections II (LSB 6925 HV.2)
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Fiscal Note Version – Amendment H-8517 to HF 2574

Description

Section 15 of House File 2574 requires local assessors to pay attorney, appraisal, and other costs of the property owner when the Board of Review or a court determines the value of a property to be below the value determined by the assessor by at least 10.0%. Amendment H-8517 restricts the application to only court decisions.

Fiscal Impact

The original Fiscal Note projected Section 15 will require counties and cities to pay more than \$1.5 million per year in legal and other costs of property owner's that prevail on appeal to the Board of Review or the court. The number of impacted properties was assumed to exceed 5,000.

Amendment H-8517 will reduce the number of appeals subject to assessor payment to less than 10.0% of the original estimate. However, the legal, appraisal, and other costs associated with court appeals will represent the majority of the reimbursable costs assumed in the original \$1.5 million estimate. Therefore, the cost of Section 15, as amended, will still exceed \$0.8 million per year across all cities and counties.

Source

Iowa County and City Assessors

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The fiscal note and correctional impact statement for this bill was prepared pursuant to Joint Rule 17 and pursuant to Section 2.56, Code of Iowa. Data used in developing this fiscal note and correctional impact statement are available from the Fiscal Services Division, Legislative Services Agency to members of the Legislature upon request.
